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- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
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# Reference AP (11-150268) on Form PTO-1449:

Direct electric connection between gate-electrode and diffusion area via self-aligned silicide. (Fig. 2 and Fig 4 (c) and 2-13 of left upper portion of page 2)

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